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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. ZAMBIA EXPELS UNITA--AT LEAST PUBLICLY

ZAMBIAN HOME AFFAIRS MINISTER MILNER CONFIRMED ON DECEMBER 26 THAT ALL UNITA OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO LEAVE ZAMBIA. AS REPORTED IN THE ZAMBIAN PRESS, HE JUSTIFIED THIS MOVE ON THE BASIS OF A SECTION OF THE OAU CHARTER WHICH PROHIBITS MEMBER STATES FROM HARBORING GROUPS FIGHTING AGAINST THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF ANOTHER MEMBER STATE.

EMBASSY LUSAKA COMMENT: THIS PUBLICIZED EXPULSION OF UNITA REPRESENTATIVES WAS PROBABLY AIMED AT SATISFYING
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UNDERTAKINGS TO THE MPLA AND ANGOLAN SPECIAL EMISSARY LUVUALU. IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ABANDONED UNITA COMPLETELY. WE EXPECT THE GRZ WILL DISCREETLY CONTINUE TO PERMIT ACTIVITIES BY UNITA PARTISANS. (CONFIDENTIAL) LUSAKA 3459, 12/27.

2. JAPANESE PRESS SCORES ZIMBABWE FUND AS AID TO WHITES ONLY

THE JAPAN TIMES CARRIED A FRONT-PAGE STORY DECEMBER 24 CLAIMING THE US HAD ASKED JAPAN FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE:

--THE FUND IS DESIGNED TO HELP WHITE RHODESIANS SECURE THEIR ASSETS OR A SAFE EXIT FROM THE COUNTRY.

--THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY IS PERPLEXED, SINCE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUEST COULD ENDANGER ITS OWN AFRICAN POLICY.

SANKEI CARRIED A SIMILAR STORY WHICH CLAIMED THAT A FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE GOJ HAD BEEN APPROACHED AND WILL STUDY THE PROPOSAL PENDING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FUKUDA REGIME.

CHARGE'S COMMENT: I URGED THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT ON THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSAL AND AVOID ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION OF DETAILS. EMBARRASSED BY THE LEAK, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ASSURED ME THE STORIES WILL NOT AFFECT THE GOJ'S CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSAL. (CONFIDENTIAL) TOKYO 18810, 12/24.

3. PHILIPPINES: MARCOS ANNOUNCES AGREEMENT, BUT...

PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT MARCOS TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 27 THAT HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE MOSLEM REBELS

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(MNLF) REACHED AGREEMENT IN THEIR TALKS IN TRIPOLI ON AUTONOMY FOR SOUTHERN MINDANAO. WHEN QUESTIONED, HOWEVER, MARCOS ADMITTED THAT THE AGREEMENT WAS ONLY TENTATIVE, WITH FINAL DETAILS TO BE WORKED OUT IN NEW NEGOTIATIONS BEGINNING IN TRIPOLI ON FEBRUARY 5.

EMBASSY MANILA COMMENT: IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE ONLY DEFINITE DECISION REACHED IN TRIPOLI WAS THE CEASEFIRE ALREADY ANNOUNCED ON DECEMBER 24. BY MAKING SUCH A CATEGORICAL STATEMENT, MARCOS HAS PUT HIS PRESTIGE ON THE LINE. IF THE CEASEFIRE AND PEACE NEGOTIATIONS NOW BREAK DOWN, THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT WILL BE SORELY EMBARRASSED AND ITS RELATIONS WITH THE ISLAMIC WORLD SEVERELY COMPLICATED. OUR REACTION IS THAT MARCOS IS NOT YET OUT OF THE MINDANAO WOODS. (CONFIDENTIAL) MANILA 19908.

4 IRAQ AND YUGOSLAVIA: THE VALUE OF BEING NON-ALIGNED

EMBASSY BELGRADE REPORTS THAT IRAQI VICE PRESIDENT

HUSSAIN'S RECENT VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA INTENSIFIED ECONOMIC TIES. AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED FOR ADDITIONAL SALES OF IRAQI OIL TO YUGOSLAVIA, AND FOR YUGOSLAV PARTICIPATION IN A VARIETY OF IRAQI PROJECTS. THE ONLY SUBSTANTIVE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS WERE APPARENTLY ON THE MIDDLE EAST, WITH THE TWO SIDES AGREEING ON THE NECESSITY OF A PALESTINIAN STATE.

EMBASSY COMMENT: THE SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC BENEFITS BELGRADE RECEIVES FROM ITS NON-ALIGNED ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED BY THE AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE FACILITIES FOR THE 1982 NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT IN BAGHDAD. ALTHOUGH THE YUGOSLAV PRESS REPORTS THAT THE OIL SALES ARE ON "FAVORABLE TERMS," WE HAVE NO INFORMATION THAT THEY ARE AT OTHER THAN MARKET PRICE. DESPITE THE PROTESTATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP, IRAQ SHARPLY REDUCED THE PER-CONFIDENTIAL

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CENTAGE OF SALES WHICH IT WILL FINANCE ON CREDIT IN 1977 AND MAY NOT OFFER CREDIT AT ALL IN 1978. (CONFIDENTIAL) BELGRADE 8335, 12/27. ROBINSON

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